

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

NICHOLSON-LAYNE, LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

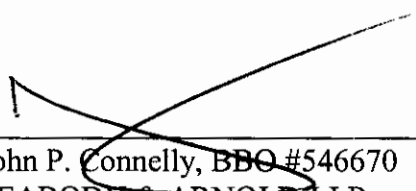
DRILLGEAR, INC. a/k/a DRILLGEAR USA,

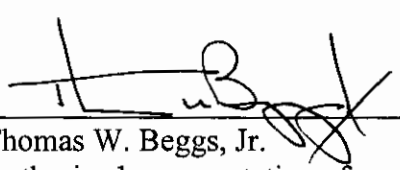
Defendant.

CIVIL ACTION  
NO. 05CV10015MLW

**PLAINTIFF'S LOCAL RULE 16 CERTIFICATE**

We, the undersigned, John P. Connelly, counsel for the plaintiff Nicholson-Layne, LLC ("NL") and the undersigned authorized representative of NL hereby affirm that we have conferred with a view to establishing a budget for the costs of conducting the full course – and various alternative courses – for the litigation, and to consider the resolution of the litigation through the use of alternative dispute resolution programs as outlined in Local Rule 16.4.

  
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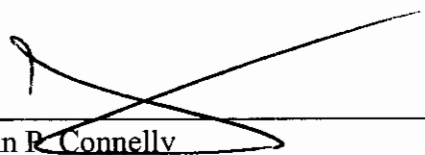
  
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Thomas W. Beggs, Jr.  
Authorized representative of  
Nicholson-Layne, LLC

Dated: September 12, 2005

Dated: September 8, 2005

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, John P. Connelly, hereby certify that on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2005 I served a copy of the foregoing by first class mail, postage prepaid upon the defendant's attorneys: Joel Lewin, Esquire and Jeremy Blackowicz, Esquire, Hinckley, Allen & Snyder, LLP, 28 State Street, Boston, MA 02109.

  
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John P. Connelly